



Freezing Rain Expected Inland on Sunday Winter Storm Watch Issued

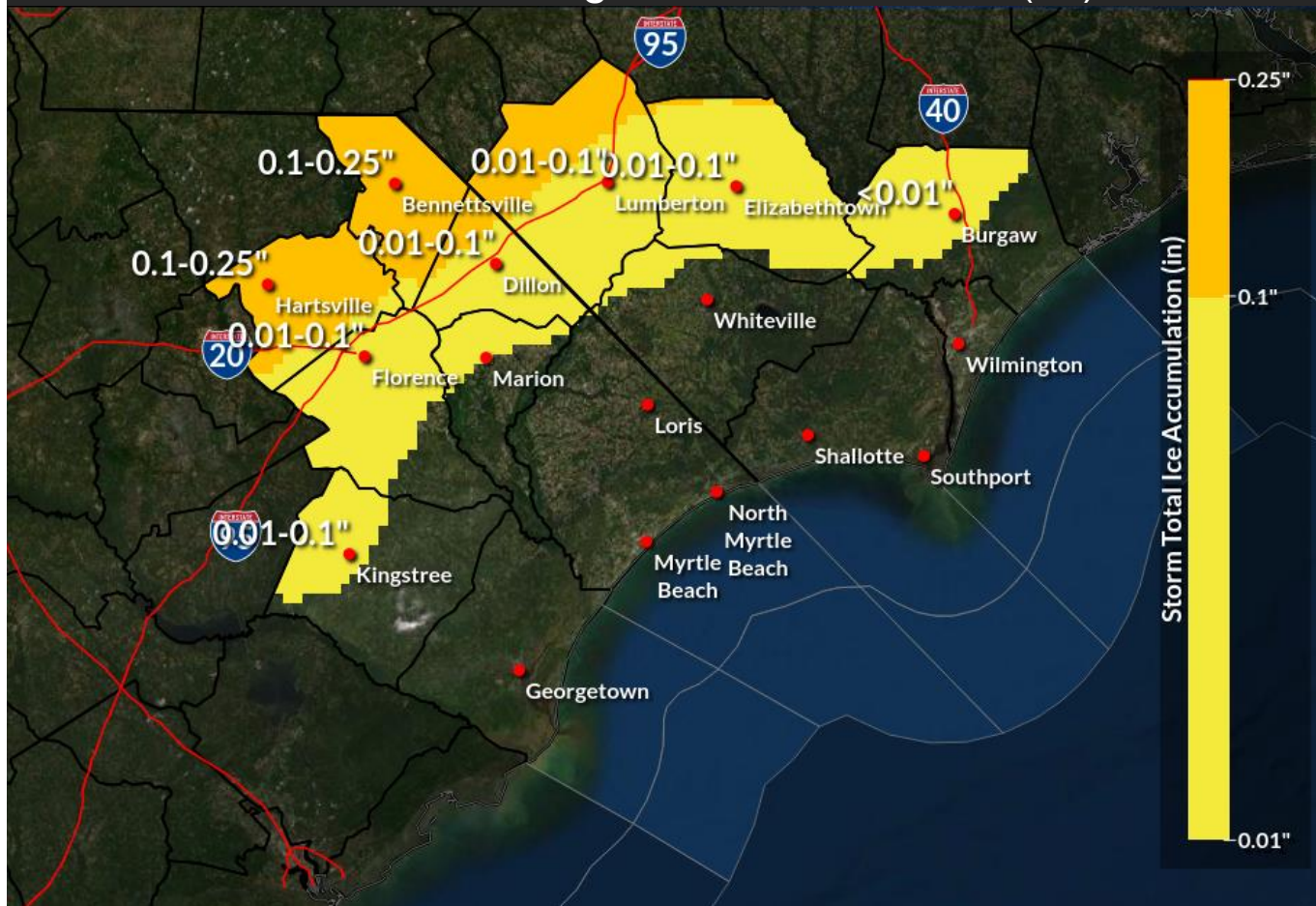
- Accumulating freezing rain will affect inland portions of the eastern Carolinas on Sunday

TIMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Precipitation will begin early Sunday before sunrise▪ Ice will continue to accumulate throughout the morning hours
HAZARDS & IMPACTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Small accumulations of freezing rain, less than one-quarter inch, will create hazardous travel conditions. Bridges and other elevated surfaces will be most susceptible to dangerous icing.▪ The highest potential for accumulating ice will exist in the Darlington, Bennettsville, and Lumberton areas.
NWS ALERTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Winter Storm Watch for Bladen, Robeson, Marlboro, Dillon, Darlington, Florence, and Marion counties.
FORECAST CHALLENGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ There is uncertainty regarding how quickly temperatures will warm above freezing Sunday morning
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Conditions are expected to be much worse across parts of the western Carolinas where this will become a major winter storm
POST-EVENT OUTLOOK	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Dry and cold weather is expected Monday and Tuesday
NEXT BRIEFING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ By 10 AM Saturday

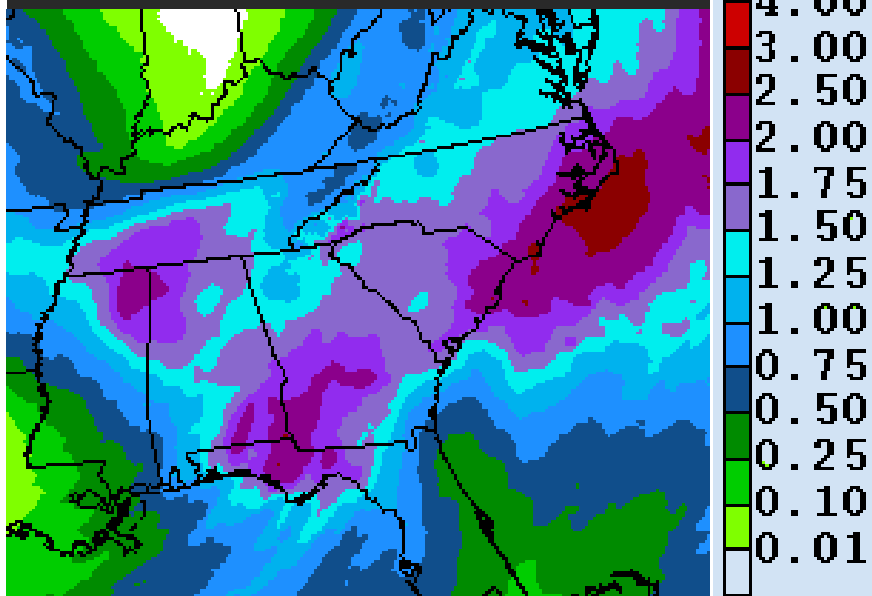




Predicted Freezing Rain Accumulation (in.)



Predicted Rainfall (in.)



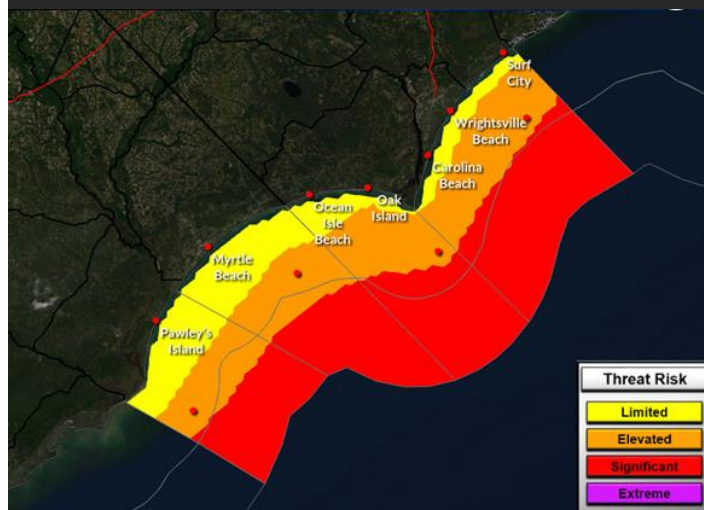
Freezing rain accumulations on Sunday are predicted to **exceed one-tenth of an inch** near and west of I-95.

Two to three inches of rain is expected to fall across the eastern portions of the Carolinas. Rain could fall heavily at times, and this may **lead to ponding of water and minor flooding** in poor drainage areas.



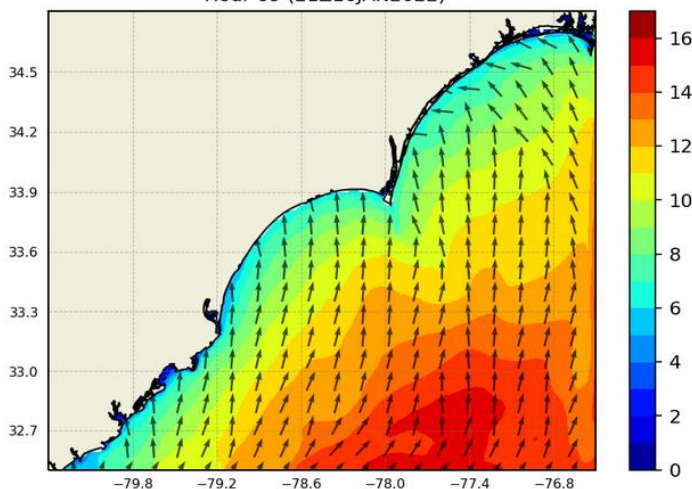
Other Weather Hazards during Sunday's Storm

Marine Weather Threat



Wind and wave conditions will deteriorate Sunday. Current forecasts are for **20-30 knot winds** Sunday and Sunday night with **seas building to 6-10 feet**. **Gale force winds are possible**.

NWPS Significant Wave Height (ft) and Peak Wave Direction
Hour 69 (21Z16JAN2022)

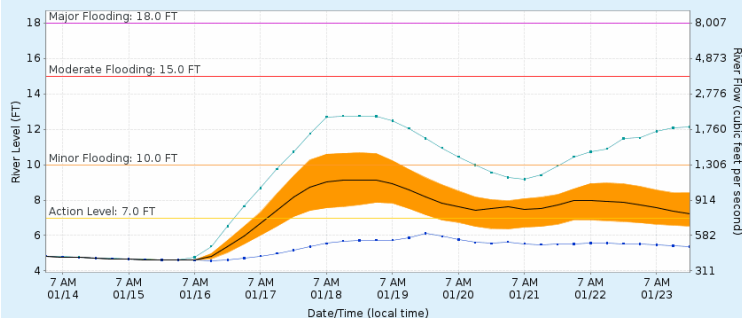


Forecast wave heights/directions Sunday evening

Onshore winds and the approaching Full Moon could create the potential for **minor coastal flooding** during high tides Sunday.

Also, **high surf** (6 feet or larger) could occur on south-facing beaches Sunday into early Monday.

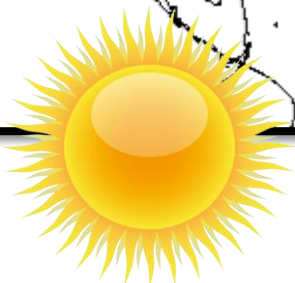
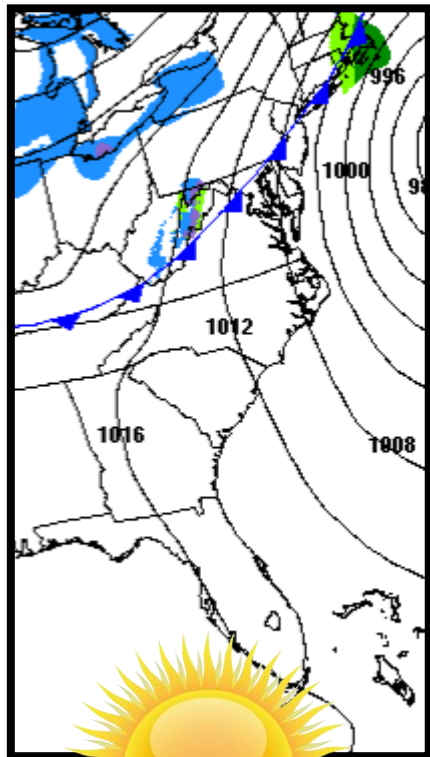
Black Creek near Quinby



Forecast rainfall amounts could create **minor river flooding** next week. The **Black Creek at Quinby** (Florence County, SC) has the highest potential for flooding.



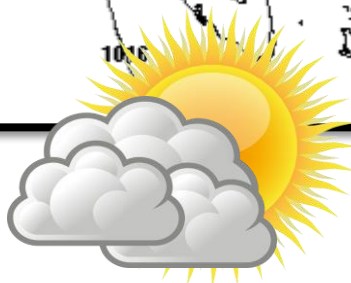
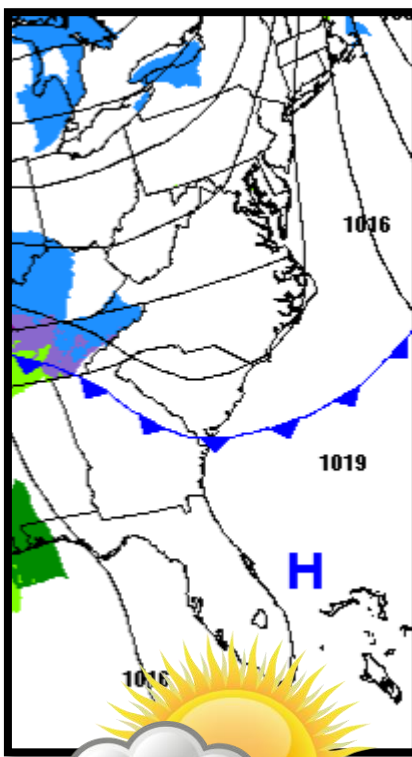
Friday



Sunny

Highs: upper 50s
Lows: lower 30s
Rain: 0%

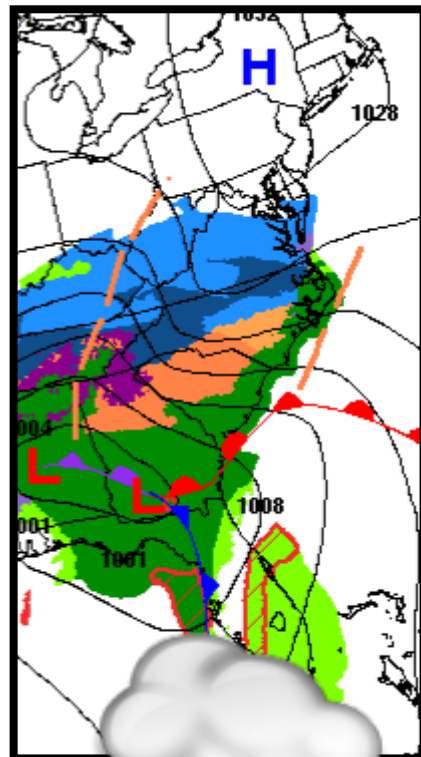
Saturday



Increasing Clouds

Highs: near 50
Lows: 20s-30s
Rain: 10%

Sunday



Heavy rain,
ice inland
Highs: 40-60
Lows: 30s
Rain: 100%